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OUR DEVELOPMENT ISSUE

PROGRESS OF THE DEVELOPMENT FUND CAMPAIGN

Campaign Challenges Country

The Development Fund Campaign of last Spring provided the opportunity for St. Louis to step out into the forefront of the American Associations. The news of the remarkable subscription, totaling nearly $5,000,000, made for the enlargement of the Y. M. C. A. work, was joyfully received throughout the country, and our fellow-citizens showered us with praise and congratulations.

In the interim from May to the present time, these pledges have been redeemed according to an agreed upon schedule of payments. The reports show that on December 15 last, more than 35 per cent of the money payable at that time had been received. This is most encouraging to the workers who secured these pledges and especially go to those upon whom rests primarily the responsibility of the Association's work throughout the city.

Carondelet Branch

As a result of the sustained interest in the development program, the architect's drawings for the Central building have been practically approved and the building operations will commence this Spring. Another interesting result of this sustained interest is to be seen in connection with the Carondelet building. Sometime ago, the Association forces of Carondelet advised the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Y. M. C. A. that one of the large givers in the Campaign had expressed her willingness to give the site for the Carondelet building, providing certain conditions were met. This condition has been met.

75 per cent of the pledges were made payable in two instead of in five years and the erection of the Carondelet building in the near future is assured.

New Colored Building

To the readers of the Pine Torch, the burning question is "when will the building for Colored men and boys begins?" It is quite clear that the response of the subscribers was one of the determined factors in giving precedent to the downtown Central building, and even more so in the case of the building in Carondelet. The strongest argument that we can present for the early erection of the building for Colored men and boys is 100 per cent payment of the pledges as they become due. With the payment of the pledges well carried out, the evidence of the interest of the people West of Grand avenue in the well-being of the men and boys of that section, is almost incontrovertible. Again, with a full payment of the pledges as they come due, we have a strong evidence of the desire of the people of that section for the early erection of the building. As an argument for early consideration, on the part of the General Building Committee, into whose hands has been entrusted the entire building program of the Association, the payment of pledges is the strongest.

St. Louis Negroes Lead the Way

More than the $5,000,000 subscription, the subscription of $125,000 by Colored people was heralded throughout the country as a most outstanding achievement. On the strength of our participation in such large measures, the case has been made for the erection of a building for Colored men and boys in other cities. The position of the entire work among Colored men and boys in the Association throughout the country, advanced as the result of the subscriptions made here. This places upon us not only a local, but a national responsibility. It is imperative from the point of view of our own local race pride that these pledges be redeemed to the fullest. Our record for redeeming our pledges has already been made.. $50.-000 was subscribed to the present building on Pine Street and $57,000 actually paid in redeeming these pledges. We cannot afford to recede from the advanced position which we have already taken and heretofore held.

Other cities throughout the country are looking to St. Louis to see how well our pledges are being redeemed. The confidence in the group throughout the country will be advanced or retarded in direct proportion as we fulfill our obligation in this regard. Surely with a great local responsibility for our race in St. Louis, and with a great national responsibility for the respect accorded our group throughout the Association world, there is no other course open to us than to measure up fully to our Campaign obligations.

Pay Now

A special effort is now under way to bring to the attention of all of our subscribers the status of their subscription and to persuade them to bring all delinquent subscriptions up to date. Letters are being sent out to all subscribers informing them of their status, whether that status is delinquent or otherwise. The Captains of the Teams are working with the Board of Managers at Pine St. in an effort to call upon as many of the subscribers as possible.

It should not be necessary for one of these workers to call upon any subscriber. The official notice of his obligations should be enough and will be enough in most cases.

"Y" TO OBSERVE SIXTH ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY, MAR. 22

Pine Street "Y" will observe its Sixth Anniversary Sunday, March 22nd with a most excellent program.

Bishop Reverdy C. Ransom of the 14th Episcopal District A. M. E. Church will deliver the Anniversary Address. Among the musical contributions to the program will be numbers from Miss Ethel Huffman, (violin), Miss Harriett I. Robinson (vocal), Alton, Ill.; Miss Myrtle Burgess (piano). It is expected that Mr. W. H. J. Beckett will conduct the congregational singing.

GRAND MUSICALE AT PINE STREET SUNDAY

The Simms' Concert Band of 25 pieces will render a high class concert at the "Y" Sunday 4:00 p. m. This will be the first grand musicale of the spring and promises to be a most unique educational entertainment to which the public is invited.

BIBLE STUDY

"Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these my brethren, even these least, ye did it unto me!" Matt. 25:40.

Subject for Sunday—"What did Jesus Teach Concerning the Poor and Unfortunate?" led by Dr. Brown.

Read Matt 25:31-46 and be prepared to explain.

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Editorials

WE ALL HANG TOGETHER OR WE HANG SEPARTELY

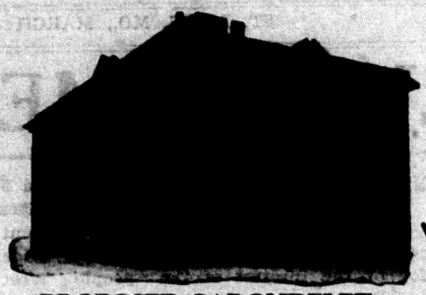
Statement by L. C. Haworth, General Secretary

Aside from its largeness and daring the most significant fact about the Three Million Dollar Development Fund Campaign which was brought to successful conclusion last spring is that it represented one organization, one cause and one fund.

The St. Louis Young Men's Christian Association is a united organization. Its activities and future policy is in the hands of its active members. Its various branches are geared in together and the success or failure of one Branch is felt throughout the entire organization. The Development Fund is one fund. The pledges were taken upon the condition that the entire program be carried thru. For the first time in the history of St. Louis, so far as we know, members of the two races contributed to one fund, the purpose of which was to provide Y. M. C. A. facilities at the points in the city where the need was greatest. Every subscriber has the satisfaction of knowing that a pro rata portion of every dollar of his contribution will go toward the erection of the various units provided in the Development Program.

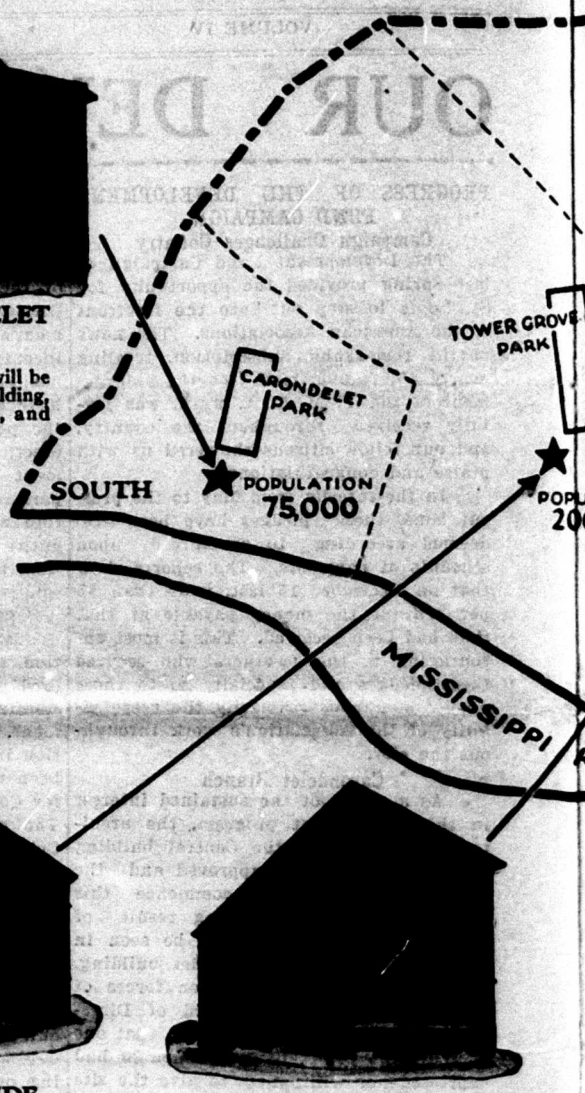
This accounts for the fact that every section of the city and every unit represented in the campaign is priding itself on making the best showing and carrying its share of the responsibility.

The inspiring leadership and example of sacrificial giving which prevailed in the Colored unit of the campaign last May was a vital factor in the final success. The leadership of the Colored people not only inspired St. Louis but the whole of America. I am sure that the Colored citizens who contributed to this great fund will set an example of conscientious promptness in the payment of their pledges. This policy is not only wise from the standpoint of the general good but also from the standpoint of self-interest. It is a case of our all hanging together or hanging separately. In other words the success of the Development Program depends upon every unit carrying on and carrying through.



PROPOSED CARONDELET BUILDING

The new Carondelet Building will be similar to this Tulsa, Okla., building, which cost $170,000 in 1915, and serves a population of 76,000.



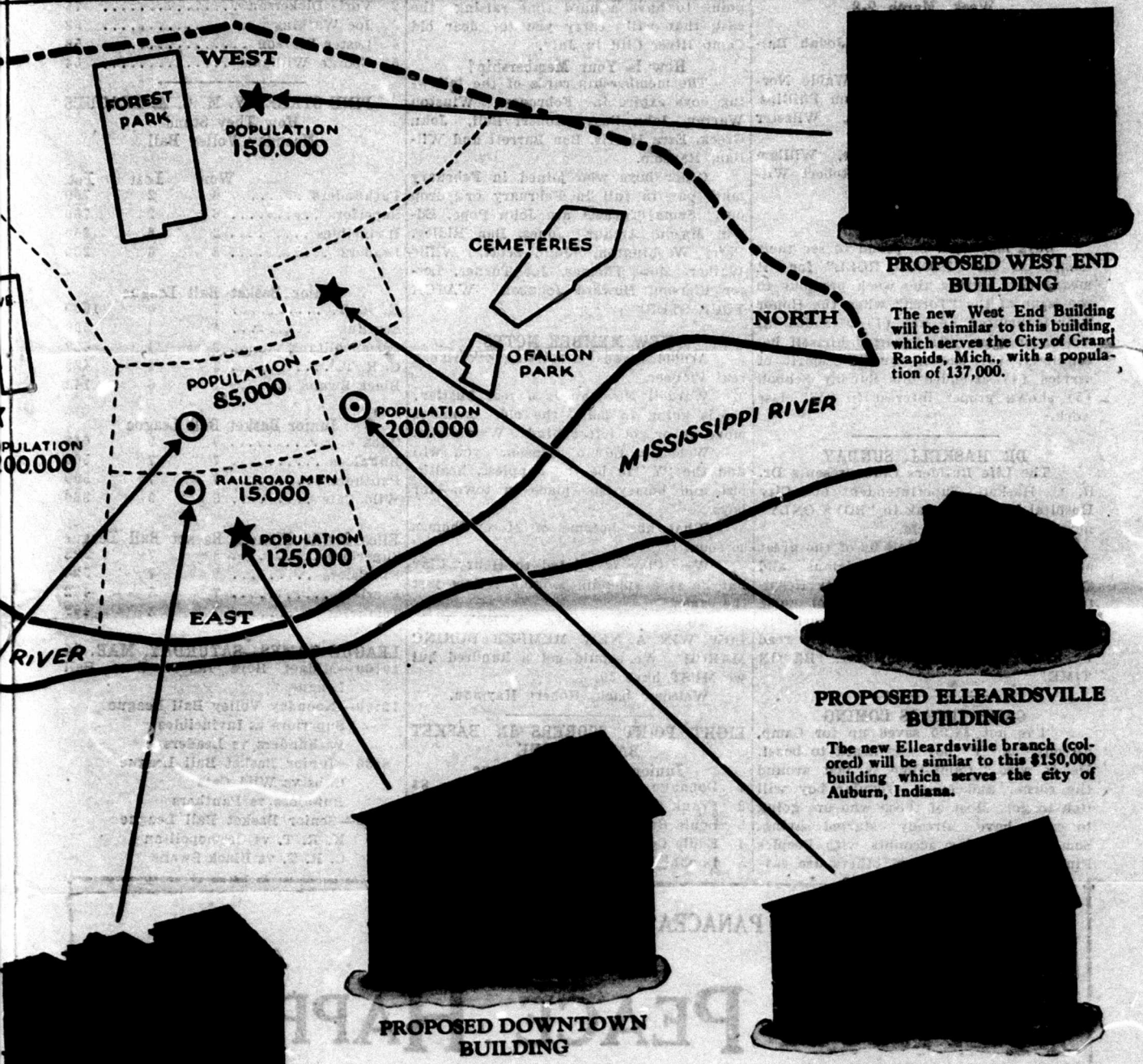
PROPOSED SOUTH SIDE BUILDING

The new South Side Building will be similar to this building, which serves the city of Denver, Colo.

PRESENT PINE STREET BUILDING

The Pine Street Building is crowded to capacity and is entirely inadequate to serve a colored constituency of 85,000.

THE ST. LOUIS DEVELOPMENT PROGRA



PROPOSED WEST END BUILDING

The new West End Building will be similar to this building, which serves the City of Grand Rapids, Mich., with a population of 137,000.

PROPOSED ELLEARDSVILLE BUILDING

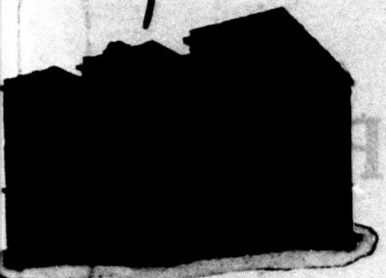
The new Elleardsville branch (colored) will be similar to this $150,000 building which serves the city of Auburn, Indiana.

PROPOSED DOWNTOWN BUILDING

The new Downtown Building will be similar to this $1,500,000 Cleveland building, which serves a downtown constituency similar to that of St. Louis.

PRESENT NORTH SIDE BUILDING

The equipment of the present North Side Building will be enlarged to enable it to accomplish those things which are so urgently needed by this great section of St. Louis.



PRESENT RAILROAD BUILDING

The equipment of the present Union Station Railroad Building will be enlarged to enable it to take care of the needs of its constituency.

RAM — NOTE ELLEARDSVILLE BUILDING

BOYS' DIVISION NEWS
HONOR ROLL
Week, March 2-8

Midgets: Alvin Golida, Jodah Bailey and Theopholus Shelton.

Juniors: I. V. Collier, Waide Norwood, Alexander King and Sam Phillips.

Seniors: Artie Simms, Wilester Rodgers and Nathan Dixon.

Leaders: Elijah Baker, William Staves, Clifton Horn and Robert Williams.

The Honor Roll

Boys may well be proud to see their names on the "HONOR ROLL" for it means that during the week previous to the issue of the "Torch" when the Honor Roll is printed he has (1) attended all classes on time, (2) deported himself becomingly, (3) shown the "Y" spirit of service (4) attended his Sunday School, (5) shown proper interest in "Y" class work.

DR. HASKELL, SUNDAY

The Life Builders Club presents Dr. R. C. Haskell, Superintendent of City Hospital No. 2 to speak to "BOYS ONLY" next Sunday at 3 p. m.

Dr. Haskell will tell us of the great achievements of Negro physicians and surgeons in his talk of "How City Hospital No. 2 Serves St. Louis." Special music will be rendered by our boy musicians and "Race Achievements" will be read by Elmo Young, Club reporter. BE ON TIME!

CAMP TIME IS COMING

"I've got $4.00 saved up for Camp, already," a "Y" boy was heard to boast. He is wise. Camp-time is just around the corner and every regular boy will itch to go. Most of those who are going to camp have already started saving. Some have saving accounts with Peoples Finance Corporation and others are saving in other banks—but listen fellow—if you don't begin saving now, you are going to have a hard time raising the cash that will carry you to dear old Camp River Cliff in July.

How Is Your Membership?

The membership cards of the following boys expire in February: Winston Warren, John Day, Robert Bell, John Greek, Ezra Harris, Ben Barrett and William Ransom.

Other boys who joined in February must pay in full in February or drop out. Some of them are John Pope, Edwin Mason, Arthur Jones, Ben Ridley, Perry Washington, John Scott, Willie Walker, Mose Thomas, Joe Turner, Lester Pierson, Howard Johnson. WATCH YOUR STEP!

NEW MEMBER NOTES

Arnold Bivens is starting out like a real Pioneer.

Wardell Newman is a real hustler. He is going to make the old members move up or get left behind. Watch him.

Welcome, Edwin Mason, you will find the "Y" to be the happiest, healthiest and homey-ist place in town—for boys.

What has become of Mose Thomas so soon.

Wm. Clay is related to Henry Clay but he is a splendid looking fellow just the same.

All together fellows, EVERY FELLOW WIN A NEW MEMBER DURING MARCH. We should get a hundred but we MUST have 30.

Welcome back, Robert Haymon.

EIGHT POINT SCORERS IN BASKET BALL LEAGUE

Junior Basket Ball League

1	Donahue Goins	88
2	Frank Casey	84
3	Louie Brown	63
4	Eddie Coburn	58
5	Donald Watkins	47

Senior Basket Ball League

1	Charles Zomphier	100
2	Voris Dickerson	75
3	Joe Watkins	58
4	Lester Pearson	56
5	George Williams	54

PINE STREET Y. M. C. A. LEAGUES
How They Stand
Noonday Volley Ball

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Pathfinders	6	2	750
Superiors	6	2	750
Invincibles	2	6	250
Leaders	2	6	250

Senior Basket Ball League

K. R. T.	7	0	1000
Scullins	4	4	500
Cosmopolitans	3	4	429
C. R. T.	3	4	429
Black Swans	1	6	142

Junior Basket Ball League

Cubs	9	5	643
Buffaloes	7	7	500
Panthers	7	7	500
Wild Cats	5	9	360

Elleardsville Pioneer Basket Ball League

Superiors	8	7	533
Excelsiors	8	7	533
Peerless	7	8	462
Triangles	7	8	462

LEAGUE GAMES—SATURDAY, MAR. 14

10:00—Midget Boys Indoor Base Ball League

12:00—Noonday Volley Ball League
Superiors vs Invincibles
Pathfinders vs Leaders

6:30—Junior Basket Ball League
Cubs vs Wild Cats
Buffaloes vs Panthers

8:15—Senior Basket Ball League
K. R. T. vs Cosmopolitan
C. R. T. vs Black Swans

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